# **SECTION VI.** Assessment Tools

An assessment is defined as a compressive, professional evaluation of an individual's circumstances, including but not limited to health, functional, social and financial needs.

## A. Independent living Assessment (ILA)

The ILA is utilized for individuals residing in the home-based setting. The Choices for Care (CFC) **case manager** is responsible for initiating and overseeing the completion of the ILA. A registered nurse must complete the Health section of the ILA.

**NOTE:** Refer to the ILA Manual for more detailed information.

## B. Residential Care Home Resident Assessment Tool (RCHRAT)

The RCHRAT is utilized for individuals residing in the Enhanced Residential Care (ERC) setting. The **ERC provider** is responsible for initiating and overseeing the completion of the RCHRAT.

**NOTE:** Refer to RCHRAT Manual for more detailed information.

#### C. Minimum Data Set (MDS)

The MDS is utilized for individuals residing in the nursing facility setting. The **nursing** facility provider is responsible for initiating and overseeing the completion of the MDS according to current state and federal regulation.

**NOTE:** Refer to MDS Manual for more detailed information.

#### **D.** Choices for Care Clinical Assessment

The Choices for Care Clinical Assessment is a health and functional assessment tool used by **Department of Disabilities**, **Aging and Independent Living (DAIL) staff** to assess CFC clinical eligibility.